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MIFFLIN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES Meeting

Held May 2, 2016

Chairman Spanovich called the Regular Meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with Mr. Angelou and Mrs. Stewart. Fiscal Officer, Nancy White was not present.

Also Present were: Fred Kauser Fire Chief

William Price Police Chief
D.J. Tharp Service Director
Becky Kadel HR Director

Melissa Rapp Public Information Officer Christy Williamson Administrative Assistant

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

### Res. 105-16: Approve Minutes of April 21, 2016

Mr. Angelou moved to approve Minutes of April 21, 2016. Mr. Spanovich seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

### **TRUSTEES**

Mr. Spanovich welcomed Lynn Stewart back to the Trustees Meeting. Mr. Angelou stated that the Mifflin Police Department put on a great heroin program. He said that Brad Crosson did an excellent job speaking on behalf of the fire department and their experiences.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Administrative Assistant presented the following correspondence to the Board:

- 1. An email was received from Tim Spencer requesting to be put on the agenda for the next meeting which the Trustees approved.
- 2. Letters were received from Franklin County Economic Development and Planning Department for properties at 2493 N. Ferris Park Road, 2547 S. Ferris Park Drive, 2714 Ferris Road, 2669 Ferris Road, 2523 N. Ferris Park Drive, 2513 N. Ferris Park Drive, 2503 N. Ferris Park Drive, 2381 Park Court, 3200 Westerville Road, 2422 Mecca Road, 2428 Mecca Road, 2416 Mecca Road and 2625 Ferris Road for various violations.
- 3. Letters were received from Franklin County Public Health for 1<sup>st</sup> Observation Report Public Health Nuisance Program for the properties at 2669 Ferris Road and 2789 Berrell Avenue for various violations.

Mrs. Stewart said that at the last meeting she attended the topic of donating money to Gahanna for the July 4<sup>th</sup> fireworks was brought up and she would like to determine an amount at this time. After discussion, the Trustees would like to donate initially a minimum of \$7,000 to Gahanna from the general fund and allow the Fire Chief to participate in the selection of the fireworks provider. Chief Kauser said that he is willing to contribute money to Gahanna from his funds. He said that we are being treated very well from the new administration of Gahanna in regards to the TIF. Mr. Spanovich said he will talk to the Mayor and if additional funds are needed, then the Mifflin Township Fire Department will contribute money from their funds.

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# Res. 106-16: Approve to Contribute Initially a Minimum of \$7,000.00 to City of Gahanna July 4<sup>th</sup> Fireworks

Mrs. Stewart moved to approve to contribute initially a minimum of \$7,000.00 to City of Gahanna July 4<sup>th</sup> Fireworks. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

#### HR

Becky Kadel reported she has received a couple part-time employment applications for the service department and is currently waiting for their background check.

### **PIO**

Melissa Rapp said Channel 6 and 10 did come to the heroin meeting that was held on April 26<sup>th</sup>. She said Channel 10 did a really nice interview with Sgt. Phillips in the afternoon which aired on the 5:00 news. Mrs. Stewart asked for an update on the cemetery meetings. Melissa Rapp said the next cemetery meeting is scheduled for June and they are currently working on revisions to the rules and regulations based on the feedback that was received at the last meeting. These will be presented to the Trustees once it is approved by the cemetery committee.

Mrs. Stewart asked the department heads to submit recommendations of employees who have donated their time and effort to helping the community so a resolution can be presented to recognize each of these individuals.

#### IT

None

#### **SERVICE**

DJ Tharp requested approval to pay True Green \$2,583.00 to spray for weeds in both cemeteries.

# Res. 107-16: Approve to Pay True Green \$2,583.00 to Spray Weeds in Both Cemeteries and Administration Building

Mrs. Stewart moved to approve to pay True Green \$2,583.00 to spray weeds in both cemeteries and the administration building. Mr. Spanovich seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried. (See Referral File)

#### **POLICE**

Chief Price requested approval to declare 2005 Ford Explorer surplus and to be placed on Govdeals.

# Res. 108-16: Approve to Declare 2005 Ford Explorer Surplus and to be Placed On Govdeals

Mr. Angelou moved to approve to declare 2005 Ford Explorer surplus and to be placed on Govdeals. Mrs. Stewart seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

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Chief Price requested approval to declare 3-4 siren boxes and one Whalen light bar surplus and donate to a volunteer fire department.

# Res. 108-16: Approve to Declare 3-4 Siren Boxes and one Whalen Light Bar Surplus and Donate to a Volunteer Fire Department

Mr. Spanovich moved to approve to declare 3-4 siren boxes and one Whalen light bar surplus and donate to a volunteer fire department. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

### **FIRE**

Chief Kauser requested approval to purchase uniform badges up to \$8,400.00.

### Res. 109-16: Approve to Purchase Uniform Badges up to \$8,400.00

Mrs. Stewart moved to approve to purchase uniform badges up to \$8,400.00. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried. (See Referral File)

Chief Kauser requested approval to purchase Class A Uniform elements up to \$37,800.00 for those who do not currently have one. After discussion, Trustees requested that Chief Kauser create a uniform policy that will be published and presented. Mrs. Stewart suggested that Chief Price purchase a dress uniform from this company also.

### Res. 110-16: Approve to Purchase Class A Uniform Elements up to \$37,800.00

Mr. Spanovich moved to approve to purchase Class A Uniform Elements up to \$37,800.00. Mrs. Stewart seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried. (See Referral File)

Chief Kauser requested approval to purchase replacement B131 vehicle for \$67,175.00.

### Res. 111-16: Approve to Purchase Replacement B131 Vehicle for \$67,175.00

Mr. Spanovich moved to approve to purchase replacement B131 vehicle for \$67,175.00. Mrs. Stewart seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried. (See Referral File)

Chief Kauser reluctantly requested to approve the retirement and resignation of Assistant Fire Chief Michael Grossman effective June 30, 2016.

# Res. 112-16: Approve the Retirement and Resignation of Assistant Fire Chief Michael Grossman Effective June 30, 2016

Mrs. Stewart moved to approve the retirement and resignation of Assistant Fire Chief Michael Grossman effective June 30, 2016. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried. (See Referral File)

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Chief Kauser requested approval to promote Battalion Chief Brian Dunlevy to the position of Assistant Fire Chief effective May 22, 2016. Trustees requested that this be placed on hold and they would like to interview B/C Dunlevy on May 17<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m.

Trustees requested that promotion of Captain Jamie Yinger to the position of Battalion Chief be placed on hold until the next meeting.

Chief Kauser requested an executive session to discuss a legal issue.

### **Res. 113-16: Move into Executive Session**

Mr. Spanovich moved to into executive session to discuss a legal issue at 11:11 a.m. Mrs. Stewart seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

The Trustees came out of executive session at 11:42 a.m.

Chief Kauser reported that the fire division has been working with the HR Director and counsel to reach an agreement with Lt. Steve Engler who wishes to retire. Chief Kauser requested permission to negotiate on the Township's behalf, a final settlement agreement with Lt. Engler retroactive April 30, 2016. He said the cost is not to exceed \$40,000.00 which includes a payroll compensation settlement and pay up to three months (90 days) of medical insurance through Cobra.

Res. 114-16: Approve Chief Kauser Permission to Negotiate on the Township's Behalf a Final Settlement Agreement with Lt. Steve Engler Not to Exceed \$40,000.00 Which Includes a Payroll Compensation Settlement and Pay up to Three Months (90 days) of Medical Insurance Through Cobra Retroactive April 30, 2016

Mrs. Stewart moved to approve Chief Kauser permission to negotiate on the Township's behalf a final settlement agreement with Lt. Steve Engler not to exceed \$40,000.00 which includes a payroll compensation settlement and pay up to three months (90 days) of medical insurance through Cobra retroactive April 30, 2016. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Mr. Spanovich said he was deeply appreciative of Chief Kauser and Becky Kadel for their effort and work in resolving this issue.

There being no further business, Mrs. Stewart moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Joseph F. Spanovich, Chairman	Richard J. Angelou, Vice Chairman
Lynn M. Stewart, Trustee	



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